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If the computer contains (or may contain) any sensitive data on the hard drive, it should be erased before it leaves MIT. Contact your technical support representative, or the Help Desk for assistance erasing the hard drive.

Once there is no data on the computer, you can contact the Desktop Deployment and Maintenance Team to pickup and recycle your old computer(s).

If you would like to make other arrangements to donate or gift a computer, please follow the directions on the Property Office's web page to deactivate the equipment. Some local organizations accept computer donations.

Due to MIT's tax exempt status, MIT-owned equipment may not be sold.

Q: How do I get rid of old cell phones?

Smart Phones which may contain Institute data should be erased before donating or recycling the phone.

Once the device is wiped, it can be recycled in the Technology Recycling boxes in any of the mail rooms on campus. They can also be donated.

Q: How do I get rid of old printers, keyboards, monitors, and other equipment?

Facilites will pickup and recycle e-waste. Please fill out the e-waste recycling request form in Atlas.